ument upon the subject, but I believe most ally that the plurality rule is unconstitutional—that re is no warracty for it in the constitution—and my rpreciation of the language, certainly of the spirit of constitution, is, that nothing less than a majority of Heuse can elect a Speaker. But it is eald that we can precedent for the plurality rule. I am aware that themen on that side entertain the opinion that we can strain the plurality rule with propriety, because it was to dupon once before; but I retaind them that in 1850 contest which then prevailed had no such issues deding upon it as are presented to the country in this test. Have not the times changed since then? Had Banks refused to repudiate the infamous teachings sentiments of the Helper book—had Seward promeed his "higher law"—at all events, had it been anneed that the entire Union was to be turned into all States or all slave States? Had it been proglatined the party whom the gentleman (Mr. Sherman) renounced that me cattre Unice was to be turned into all free States or all slave States? Had it been proctaimed by the party whom the gentleman (Mr. Sherman) represents as candidate for Speaker, that they intend to abolish slavery in the South, and that it only remained for us to decide whether that revolution was to be effected peacefully or with arms and bloodshed? And I can assure gentlemen that he who votes for the plurality rule, by means of which that gentleman (Mr. Sherman) would take his seat in that chair, cannot escape on the ground that he did not vote for him. The country will hold him responsible, and hold every man responsible circumstances. I could have wished that the subject of popular sovereignty had not been introduced before the House, but as it has been introduced, I feel it due to my-soif and to my constituents, before whom I have explained my views upon the subject of popular sovereignty long since, to allude to it. In connection with this subject, in the subject of the propular sovereignty long since, to allude to it. In connection with this subject, and the propular sovereignty long since, to allude to it. In connection with this subject, and the propular sovereignty long since, to allude to it. In connection with this subject, and the propular sovereignty long since, to all the attention of the House to some remarks made by the honorable member (Mr. Hickman) from Pennsylvania, that 'the democratic party proposes to carry slavery everywhere." Now, I sak that gentleman where the finds a warranty for that declaration? 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I believe that the party with whom I act will not support any man who does not recognise that dootrine for election as Speaker. Not only will they not support such a man, but they will not support one willing to ignore the question. I say to these gentiemen with whom I am acting, both of the American, anti-fecompton and democratic party, that we must unite against the common enomy, and when we have whipped them out we will select our own time to settle our little quarrols among ourselves. Let us defeat the republican candidate for Speaker, and we can then discuss other questions at our convenience. (Applause from democratic benches.) I will now proceed to notice the remarks of the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. Nelson), and I do so more in sorrow shan in anger. I desire to breach between the American and democratic parties, who unite on all great and vital questions, the question of slavery especially, upon which question we join togother in opposing the views of our common enemy; but I say to that gentleman that the times are changed since he and I were boys, and the sentiments of those days are not the sufference to ever, and the attention of the House, to one point whereon I desire to vindicate the truth of history, and with respect to which he (Mr. Nelson) and the gentleman from New Jorsey passed some severe strictures. I allinde to their remarks upon the subject of nullification and secession. The gentleman from Tennessee said that the snake of nullification had been scotched, not killed. That was the feeling which existed when the great leader lived, and who, in one of his last letters, recommended the organization of the Southern States. The gentleman from New Jersey said that when the cry of disunion was raised in North Carolina, General Jackson, the head of the government, put it down. I was a boy at the time of that great struggle for constitutional rights, and a juster struggle no man ever engaged in; and I recollect that that event inspired an admiration for the doctrines of Jefferson, and did more to keep alive the doctrines of Jefferson, and did more to keep alive the doctrines of Jefferson, and did more to keep alive the doctrines of Jefferson, and that has even courred since those days. And there was no man more attached to the constitution than the great apostle of nullification, Mr. Calhoun, and he even disunion itself. It was unjust to the great statesmen of those times to say that General Jackson put down nullification and secession. The speaker then referred to the acts and ordinances of those days, with regard to the course taken by South Carolina in passing and afterwards of her own accord repealing the nullification and force blills. It was true that at that time it was said that General Jackson would send troops to South Carolina; but what was the declaration of the Governor of Virginia, Why, that these troops, if sent, would have to walk, before they reached South Carolina, over the dead bodies of one hundred thousand Virginians. It seemed to him that gentlemen looked upon the Union as more important than the constitution liself, which was intended to form a more perfect Union, to establish justice, him in the Speaker's chair of the House? (Applance from the democratic benches.) Are we to be placed in the same category as the party who has forced has to this resistance? I emphatically say, no! With reference to what has been said of slavery as a political evil, I say instead of it being an evil it is a great social blessing—both a moral and political blessing and a great good. It is good for the black man, it is good for the white man—it is good for both alike. It is a glorious institution, transmitted to us by our fathers, and which we intend to preserve—aye, and we will preserve it against all the power

Berve—aye, and we will preserve it against all the power you can bring against us, or perish in the attempt.

A MERKER BECOMEN DESCUENCE.

Mr. CLEMENS, (dem.) of Va., wanted the House to vote for Speaker, objecting to gonglemen sitting there five hours to ventilate their rhetoric. He gave notice that he should retre from the hall whenever he was physically disabled from attendance on the session. If he could not get a pair they would have to do without his vote.

ORDER TO RE PRESERVES.

The CLEEK stated that having been empowered by the House to suppress disorder, both on the iloor and in the galleries, he should discharge that duty, but he hoped no case would arise compelling him to exercise the authority thus conferred.

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Mr. Sims, (dem.) of Ky., said Brown's foray into Virginia had been followed by a crusade against the rights of the whole Seuth. He would speak plainly and tell gentlemen on the other side that, from the very foundation of the government, there had been a diseased public gentlemen in the Northern States on the subject of sisvery. He spoke of the continued aggressions of the republican party on the South. The republicans number more than one hundred men on this floor—men of character and indisease, who have sought on the stump and elsewhere to diffuse opinions practically leading to the nullification of the Fugutive Slave law and to bring contempt on the Supreme Court, because it has declared that Congress has no power to restrict slavery or exclude it from new Territories. The balance of power in the United States Senate—once deemed a safeguard by the Southhas been lost, and Northern preponderance will be still further increased by the admission of other new States. Nothing now is left between the South and her assailants but the democratic party and the constitution of the United States, as expounded by the Supreme Court. The aboilition party in the North having failed to reach slavery in the South, by direct legislation, have sought to overthrow it by insurrection, by poisoning the public mind and by keeping up a constant theft and robbery on that species of property at the South, scattering incendiary documents throughout the land, and have elevated to high public trusts men who proclaim that there is an irrepressible conflict between slave and five labor. He was no dismoinst, but would ask, was there to be no limit to these assauties in the South, scattering incendiary documents throughout the land, and have elevated to high public trusts men and the republic win

Necessary for a choice.

Another vote was anxiously demanded.

Mr. Wirshow, (dem.) of N. C., suggested an adjournment till Wednesday.

Mr. Girshen, amid great excitement, rose to speak. He said—Mr. Clerk, I rise to withdraw my name from the list of candidates, and to express my thanks to those gentlemen with whom I agree politically for the support they have given me. I must also say that I feel in no less degree complimented by the votes of gentlemen with whom I very much disagree in one great political point. I now put in nomination the Hon. Alexander R. Boteler, of Virginia, and I think, from the indications given now, that if it have a corresponding effect on the other side we can in the next ballot furnish ourselves with a Speaker. (Applause.)

Adjourned.

Mr. Sherman's vote on the first trial to-day was reduced by some of those who have heretofore voted for him going over to Mr. Glimer, who was supported by Mesars. Adams of Kentucky, Anderson of Kentucky, Boteler, Bouligny, Brabson, Briggs, Bristow, Campbell, Davis of Maryland, Etheridge, Halo, Harls, of Md., Haskin, Hatton, Hill, Junkin, Leach, of N. C., Mallory, Maynard, Millward, Moore, of Ky., Morchead, Morris, of Pa., Nelson, Nixon, Pennington, Quarles, Schwarts, Scranton, of S. C., Stevens, Stokes, Vance, Verree, Webster and Wood.

Those who voted for Mr. Boteler, after Mr. Glimer withdrew from the canvass are—Mesars. Adams of Kentucky, Anderson of Missouri, Bouligny, Brabsen, Briggs, Bristow, Dejarnette, Etheridge, Glimer, Hardeman, Harris of Maryland, Hatton, Hill, Leach of North Carolina, Mallory, Maynard, Moore of Kentucky, Nelson, Quarles, Smith of North Carolina, Stokes. Vance, Webster and Woodson.

The above votes explain the cause of the difference in the result of the two votes taken to-day, for Sherman and Booock respectively. Such of the above named as had before voted for Sherman, returned to his support after Glimer withdrow. It has been erroneously stated that Mr. Olin, who was absent on Friday, voted on Wednesday for Mr. Glimer. He then voted, as before, for Mr. Sherman. It is doubtless a typographical error, as it is all right in other papers.

Thurlow Weed's Letters from Wash-ington.

[From the Albany Journal Dec. 15.]

Washington, Dec. 11, 1859.

I am assured that the administration side of the House will resist the piurality rule to the "bitter and," partly because it suggests disagreeable recollections of 1855, but mainly because it was offered by Mr. Hickman, of Pa., a "rebel" democrat.

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"Rr. Sherman must, therefore, be elected by a majority to do which only one vote is required. To that vote we are entitled from George Briggs, who was elected by republicans under the most solemn assurances that he was with us, heartily, in opposition to the administration. His refusal now to redeem his voluntary pledges is aggravated by the fact that so far as we know, all (republicans and Americans) who voted for him, desire him to do what was expected of him.

Two members from New Jersey, (Messrs. Adrain and Riggs,) who were elected by anti-Lecompton democrats, Americans and republicans, also falter; while Messrs. Hickman and Swartz, of Pa., and Messrs. Haskin and Roynolds, of our State, are bold and fearless in maintaining the principles and policy of the opponents of the administration. Mr. Horace F. Clark is equally firm and uncompromising in his principles, but differs with his colleagues, more, however, as to time than in policy. He will not vote for an administration Speaker, and will, all the circumstances of the ballot harmonizing with his sense of duty, vote for Mr. Sherman.

Mr. Haskin has just made an able, fearless, manly speech. Mr. Clark, of New York, would have done the same thing if he had obtained the floor.

There is some opposition among our friends to the election of Col. Forney for Clerk. This ought not to be, and certainly would not be if all knew how wise and needful that result is; how just it would be, both to Col. Forney and to the administration.

Judge Douglas has gone back to his allegiance, taking with him all who could be reached. Those who stand firm are not only reliable, but represent a democratic phalant large enough, united with us, to overwhelm the Charleston nominee.

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Warmscrox, Dec. 13, 1859.

The debate for Speaker, or rather the debate to prevent an election of Speaker, goes forward, and promises to enlighten the people in relation to the designs of the sham democracy. The whole tendency and drift of the fire-esters is to prepare that section of the Union for its dissolution. This is the "warp and filling" of all their speeches: In the House they proclaim that the election of a "black republican President" will be sufficient cause for such dissolution. In the Senate, Mr. Iverson, of Georgia, more impatient, announces his readiness to withdraw from the Union when Mr. Shorman is elected Speaker. But this hurry is explained by the circumstance that his seat in the Senate is soon to be vacant, and that consequently louder thunder is necessary to secure his re-election. I know nothing that so much resembles the cry of "dissolving the Union," but the prophecy of the Millerites, who waited for the end of the world. Both events were determined and announced with equal earnestness. The day originally fixed for the "ascension," with its postponements, has passed, and the world remains, with its good and evil, to work out a destup higher and wise that which fainsion and blindness anticipated. And the Union, in defiance of its enemies, will Survive those who threaten its integrity, to work out and establish the great problem of freedom.

There is more and deeper excitement on the slavery question than ever existed before. The feeling is general and intense. It is a cultivated feeling. The "John Brown" insurrection and the "Helper book" furnish the fuel with which the fismes of discord are fed. But it is not, however, that every that the substant security and the substants of the substants and secures the South against

which the flames of discord are fed. But it is not, how-ever, that either, of themselves, endanger the Union, for the fate of Brown and his band secures the South against any other lawless invasion for a generation at least, and the "Helper book," published nearly two years ago, was quite harmless until they, by magnifying its importance, have given it an unprecedented circulation. These events are seized upon, not as they might be, if the South so de-sired, to protect their property, guard their rights and strengthen the Union, but to perli and destroy all. While hanging John Brown for treason against Virginia, they arow their own treasonable designs against the Union. are seized upon, not as they might be, if the South so desired, to protect their property, guard their rights and strengthen the Union, but to peril and destroy all. While hanging John Brown for treason against Virginia, they avow their own treasonable designs against the Union.

To all this there is a plain, simple, ready solution. These men neither desire nor will consent to a preservation of the Union except upon their own terms. If the cotton men of Philadelphia and New York, and the faded, dyodhair and colored-whisker politicians of Boston, knew with what contempt the fire-eaters think and speak of their Union saving spasms, they would "save their breath to cool their porridge." These men spurn your sympathy. Mr. Curry told you in his speech, what they all say more offensively in conversation, that "such meetings amount to nothing." There is but one remedy for the disease. That is to leave the political power of the country in their hands. The moment the danger of the election of a republican President passes, all danger and all excitement will subside. The whole question is "in a nut shell." Dissolving the Union is a game for the Presidency. It is nothing but a game. That it will be played desperately we admit, because Southern sportsmen play desperately. But only assure them that ropoblicans will "pass," leaving the democracy "eldest," and neither "Old Brown" nor the "Helper Book" will disturb or rippic the waters. There was a significant passage between democratic Senators yesterday. Mr. Iverson had said that the Northern democracy has a unsound—indeed, he used harsher language, "corrupt and rotten." Senator Bigler, in reply, said that the Northern democracy has the would not bear everything. Senator Pugh said that he would not bear everything. Senator Pugh said that he would not bear everything. Senator Pugh said that he would not bear everything. Senator Pugh said that he would not bear everything. Senator Pugh said that he should demand explanations of his charge against Northern democratic for the p

The Supreme Court to-day denied a new trial in the case of Mrs. Hartung, convicted of murder. She will be sentenced in January.

In the case of John Wilson, convicted of murder, a new trial was granted. The Cases of Mrs. Hartung and John

Execution of a Murderer at Montreal.

Montreal, Dec. 16, 1859.

Beauregard, who murdered Charston at St. Hyacinthe, last spring, was hanged here at a quarter past ten o'check this morning. The prisoner was attended on the scaffold by two Roman Catholic clergymen. He made no confession, abowed no signs of trepidation, and appeared to die without a struggie. A great crowd witnessed the execution.

Sailing of the Europa.

HAHFAR, Dec. 16, 1859.
The Steamship Europa, from Boston, arrived at noon and sailed at 3 P. M. for Liverpool.

Southern Ocean Steamer Movem The steamship Star of the South arrived at the wharf at one o'clock this afternoon. All well.

The steamship Angusta arrived at ten o'clock on Tuesday night. All well.

The Late Washington Irving. The Massachusetts Historical Society heid a special ing last evening, in reference to the death of Wash frying, at which appropriate resolutions were adopte addresses made by Edward Everett and Professor follow.

Arrival of Capt. Faraham at Savannah.

Savanzan, Ga., Dec. 15, 1859.

Captain Faraham arrived here from New York this day, and is now lodged in jail.

Bovere Storm at Cape Cod.

Barstalls, Dec. 16, 1859.

The storm on the Cape on Wedneeday night was the most severe experienced for many years, causing much damage to the telegraph connecting Boston with Highland Light and intermediate stations on the Cape. Several hundred poles were blown down and the wires broken in numerous places by the accumulated weight of frozen sleet and snow. Large numbers of men are engaged to make repairs, and the line will be in good working order by Monday next.

Affairs at New Orleans, die Washington, Dec. 16, 1869.

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The New Orleans Crescent of Tuesday says that sixty-seven ships are loading there for Liverpool, sixteen for Havre, and sixteen for other foreign ports.

Sixty-four of the principal cotton buyers and brokers of New Orleans have acquiesced in the resolution published in the New Orleans Price Current of November 16, and it will go into effect on Monday next.

Cotton—Sales to day 1,500 bales; the turn is in favor of buyers: middling, 10%c.; the market closes quiet.

Cotten unchanged: sales to day 330 bales; sales of the week, 7,750 bales. Receipts of the week, 19,000, against 15,750 in same week last year. Increased receipts at this port, 7,900 bales; do. at all the ports, 251,330 bales. Stock here, 73,336 bales.

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CHARLESTON, Dec. 15, 1859.

COtton—Sales to-day 3,800 bales; sales of the week 16,250 bales; prices %c. higher on the week.

BALTHORS, Dec. 16, 1859.

Flour steady but inactive; Howard street 38 57½. Wheat firm: white \$1 30 a \$1 45; red \$1 20 a \$1 26. Corn firm and 2c. a 3c. higher: sales of white at 72c. a 75c., and yellow at 78c. a 80c. Pork—Mess 316; prime \$11 50. Bacon 10c. Whiskey firm at 27c.

Flour quiet. Wheat active: red, \$1 35. Corn active: sales 10,000 bushels new yellow at \$1c. Cats better, at 35½c. a 45c. Whiskey unchanged.

CINCINATI, Dec. 16, 1859.

Flour unchanged; holders firm. Whiskey, 22½c. Hogs—a fair business done to-day: sales of 3,000 at \$5 35 a \$6. Receipts to-day, 900. Mess pork in good demand: sales of 1,200 bbls, at \$15 50 a \$16. Bulk meats—a fair inquiry at 6c. a 8c. for delivery in February. Lard, 9%c. Green meats in good demand; shoulders, 4%c; sides, 7%c.

"American comedy, in three acts," and entitled "Dis-tant Relations; or, A Week in New York," was produced here last night and received with favor by a very large audience. "Distant Relations" cannot properly be called a comedy; it is rather a series of scenes, more or less conaudience. "Distant Relations" cannot properly be called a comedy; it is rather a series of scenes, more or less connected, and written apparently more with a view to illustrate certain well known types of city character than to elaborate any particular plot or story. The incidents are few and not new. A Southern planter comes to the metropolis, accompanied by a veteran slave, and makes search for some distant relations, who are all living in a cheap boarding house. The Southerner has a disobedient son, whom he disowned, and who is doing the agricultural in New Jersey. The distant relations disgust the planter with their vulgarity and avarice, and he causes it to be stated that he is a ruined man, whereupon everybody deserts him except his son, who is forgiven out of hand. Nearly three hours are consumed in the elaboration of this thread of a story, and the time is filled up with a series of scenes purporting to represent high and low life in New York. The attempt to portray fashionable society is more than usually absurd, but the scenes in the cheap boarding house, and the lodging house on the Points are almost painful in their realism. There are frequent aliusions in the dialogue to the superior condition of the well fed slaves of the South when compared with the half starved white laborers of the North, all of which were received with vociferous applause. There are two or three fresh and well drawn characters, such as that of a smart New York girl, very admirably played by Miss Keene, a newsboy of a theatrical turn of mind, in which Master Wren was as perfect as if he had graduated in Nassau street, and a boarding house keeper of the approved type very faithfully and artistically played by Miss Wells. The other characters are of the conventional stage type, and the play is stagey and slangy throughout. It was saved, however, from failure by the strong Union sentiment which runs through its dialogue, and by the excellent acting of the artists above named, and of Mr. Mark Smith and Mr. Burnett, who were exceedi

Union Meeting in Boston-Execution of the Virginia Insurgents-News from California, Europe, &c .- Market Re-

ports, &c.

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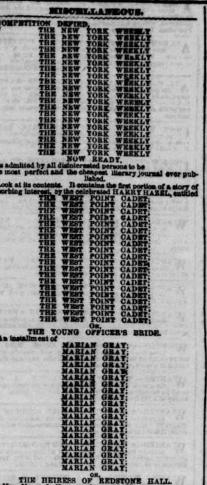
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